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Type of Meeting: Regular meeting Method of Notification: Public Posting – Two locations at Town Hall		
Meeting Location: Sandown Town Hall		
Present: Selectpersons: Brenda Copp (Copp), Stephen Brown (Brown), Hans		
Nicolaisen (Nicolaisen), James Devine (Devine), Lynne Blaisdell, Office Manager and		
Cynthia J. Robinson, Recording Secretary Absent:		
Late to arrive: Tom Tombarello (Tombarello) – 7:55 P.M.		
Call to Order: Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Pledge of Allegiance		
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Mr. Barczak spoke about a brainstorming session the School Board hopes to hold sometime in the future that will be open to the public. Mr. Barczak stated the capital improvements plan is also going to be updated and the School Board would be working on improving transparency and communication. Many other projects are being proposed for the future [citizens advisory committee, district report card, newsletter].

Paula Gulla, Selectmen's Office Assistant Further discussion regarding proposals for town website, quotes for printing of 2012 annual report and first draft of 2013 warrant articles

- Present for this discussion was Paula Gulla, Selectmen's Assistant. Ms. Gulla stated five website vendor quotes were received. Ms. Gulla stated she spoke with ten towns relative to their opinion on the website vendor they work with. Board members reviewed the spreadsheet showing details on the website vendors. Chairman Brown noted that of the ten towns five of them use Virtual Town Hall. There was discussion about which vendors to eliminate or consider. due to training and costs. Ms. Gulla noted that Virtual Town Halls deals with schools and towns exclusively. There was discussion about how the Town was going to pay for this service [\$6,000.00]. Ms. Gulla stated the Town Clerk would be able to provide \$1,000.00 towards the start up cost. Ms. Gulla stated with funds in the website budget line and the Town Clerk's money the Town has approximately \$3,000.00, and Mr. Letsky, the representative for Virtual Town Hall, stated they could spread the payment over a three year period. Selectwoman Copp asked if the other office employees are in favor of Virtual Town Hall. Ms. Blaisdell stated yes. **MOTION:** Selectwoman Copp moved to employ Virtual Town Hall to be Sandown's website vendor effectively immediately with a set up fee of \$4,000.00 and a maintenance fee of \$2,000.00 per year with no additional costs. Selectman Devine seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Chairman Brown asked that a letter be sent to the other vendors thanking them for their bid and informing them the Board has chosen another vendor.
- Ms. Gulla provided the Board with a spreadsheet of vendors who bid on the printing of this year's town report. Ms. Gulla noted that there were nine bids ranging in price from \$1,787.50 to \$5,088.00. The number of reports being printed has been lowered to 650. Ms. Gulla went over the three lowest bids. The current vendor is Country Press who has worked for the Town for five years. Ms. Gulla noted that the Town has a very good working relationship with Country Press. Board members reviewed annual reports provided by other vendors. MOTION: Selectman Nicolaisen moved to hire Country Press to do the 2012 annual report for the bid amount of \$1,842.88 with a \$98.00 delivery charge for a total of \$1,940.88. Selectwoman Copp seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

• Ms. Gulla presented the Board with a draft list of warrant articles and asked the Board to review them because she is in the process of sending the arrant articles to legal counsel and Department of Revenue Administration for their comments before having the Board vote on them. Board members reviewed and discussed the warrant articles as presented and consensus of the Board was to hold off on the warrant articles on the purchase of three defibrillators [put in budget], new egress for library basement and mosquito control program [put in budget].

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Board members discussed separating the Building Inspector and Code Enforcement positions and develop a construction ordinance. It was noted that these two items would have to be presented by the Planning Board and they have time constraints on these items. Consensus of the Board is to wait for Selectman Tombarello to join the meeting later in the evening before making a decision.

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 Ms. Blaisdell announced there are two Request for Proposals (RFP) posted in the Town Hall and on the Sandown website. These RFP's are for the lawn at the library and the fire dampers and access doors at the Town Hall. The deadline for submission is November 1, 2012.

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Non-Public discussion under RSA 91-A:3 II (b) Hiring

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• **MOTION:** Selectman Devine moved to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 II (b) Hiring. Selectman Nicolaisen seconded. Roll call: Copp – aye, Brown – aye, Nicolaisen - aye and Devine – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

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MOTION: Selectman Nicolaisen moved to come out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Devine seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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Chairman Brown announced while in Non-Public Session the Board voted to temporarily seal the Non-Public Session Minutes.

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Selectman Tombarello joined the meeting during Non-Public Session.

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"...first draft of 2013 warrant articles" (continuation)

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 Chairman Brown noted that prior to the Non-Public discussion the Board had agreed to postpone making a decision on whether to separate the Building Inspector and Code Enforcement positions and develop a construction ordinance until Selectman Tombarello joined the meeting. Chairman Brown asked Selectman Tombarello what his opinion was on these subjects. Selectman Tombarello stated he is in favor of leaving the positions as is. MOTION: Selectman Nicolaisen moved to keep the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement

as one position. Selectman Tombarello seconded. Three ayes [Tombarello, Brown and Nicolaisen] and two nays [Copp and Devine]. Motion passed.

Chairman Brown noted that Sandown at this time does not have a starting and ending time for construction and this would have to be an amendment to zoning. **MOTION:** Selectman Nicolaisen moved to take the construction ordinance out of the suggested warrant articles. Chairman Brown seconded. Selectwoman Copp expressed her concerns that builders who are not considerate of others could abuse the lack of a start/stop time. Selectman Nicolaisen stated that contractors have to take into consideration many factors. Chairman Brown asked Ms. Blaisdell if there were any complaints coming into the Selectmen's Office about construction start or stop time. Ms. Blaisdell stated there have been no complaints. All Board members agreed that common sense regarding this matter has to be taken into consideration by contractors. Four ayes [Tombarello, Brown, Nicolaisen and Devine] and one nay [Copp]. Motion passed. No amendment to the zoning ordinance will be recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Review of 2013 Budget Proposal Insurance, Government Buildings and Executive

• Insurance Acct. 4196.0 – Chairman Brown noted that this budget is up by \$5,000.00 and the Town has little control over these line items. Ms. Blaisdell noted that she has learned that the life insurance carrier for the fire department will cover individuals over 70 years of age so the number of individuals could go up. Ms. Blaisdell stated the Board could determine an age requirement cut off. MOTION: Selectwoman Copp moved Insurance Acct. 4196.0 with Gross Expenses of \$97,021.32, Revenue of \$0 and Net Expenses of \$97,021.32 be recommended by the Board of Selectmen. Selectman Tombarello seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Government Buildings Acct. 4194.0 – Chairman Brown went over the line items in this Account. Ms. Blaisdell noted that this is not a compete budget at this time because there are still quotes to be received. Ms. Blaisdell asked the Board to consider purchasing a new copier. Following discussion it was the consensus of the Board to look into leasing a copier and hold off making any decision on this budget. This budget has to be to the Budget Committee prior to November 7, 2012. Ms. Blaisdell noted that the Custodian's evaluation has not been done so no Payroll determination has been made at this time. Ms. Blaisdell asked the Board to go through each line item for approval except for those mentioned earlier. Consensus of the Board is to remove the Town Bldg Inspection Fee line item.

Chairman Brown noted that he swore in the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer and Assistant Building Inspector so Board members need to sign the forms.

<u>Executive Acct. 4130.0</u> – Chairman Brown noted the 2.03% increase. Ms. Blaisdell noted she has no Payroll numbers in this budget proposal at this time because employee evaluations have not been completed. Board members went down the budget line by line. Chairman Brown thanked Ms. Blaisdell and Ms. Gulla for their time and effort during budget season.

Ms. Blaisdell brought up the Capital Improvement Plan noting the Board is pretty much on target. The only item proposed for 2013 is the paving of the Town Hall parking lot expansion and the generator [2012]. Selectman Tombarello supports the purchase of a generator for the Town Hall. Selectman Devine concurs. Selectman Nicolaisen supports the generator but is unsure if there is enough time between now and when warrant articles have to be in. Ms. Blaisdell noted the Emergency Management Director is on the agenda for next week to discuss grants for a generator. Ms. Blaisdell noted that grants are usually 50/50 so a warrant article could be proposed. Consensus of the Board is to skip the paving of the Town Hall parking lot. Consensus of the Board is to ask the Planning Board to move the parking lot paving to 2014. Selectwoman Copp suggested putting the \$6,000.00 dollars for the handicapped restroom in as a budget item rather than a warrant article.

New Business

Review of 2013 dental rates

• Ms. Blaisdell noted Local Government Center's letter regarding dental benefit rates for 2013 and the Return of Surplus (medical and dental). Ms. Blaisdell noted the Town would be receiving a credit of \$1,321.01 sometime in August. Ms. Blaisdell noted that the Town does not pay for employee dental so this money would be going back to the employee. Consensus of the Board is they are okay with the new rates.

 Chairman Brown reminded Board members they still have employee reviews to do. Chairman Brown asked Board members if they could meet at 6:00 P.M. on October 29, 2012 for a Non-Public Session to do employee evaluations. Consensus was they would be here.

Review request to appoint members to the Senior Affairs Transportation Committee

• Chairman Brown read the memorandum from Ms. Blaisdell requesting the appointment of members to the Senior Affairs Transportation Committee made

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by Nelson Rheaume, Chairman of the Committee. Chairman Brown read the memorandum listing the members to be appointed to the Committee and those individuals who have volunteered to be drivers. Selectwoman Copp would like to have the Committee come in and go over their plans and get answers to questions Board members might have before appointing members to the Committee. Chairman Brown does not see any reason to hold off the appointment of members. **MOTION:** Selectman Devine moved to appoint Nelson Rheaume, Linda Gauvin, Joseph Gordon, Joan Park, Lorraine Sieckarski and Kathleen Richardson to the Sandown Senior Affairs Transportation Committee. Selectman Nicolaisen seconded. Four ayes [Tombarello. Brown, Nicolaisen and Devine] and one nay [Copp]. Motion passed.

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Ms. Blaisdell stated that St. Matthews Church would like to hand out coffee at Town Hall on Election Day. Ms. Blaisdell stated that at the present time there is no Moderator to ask the question of so she is coming to the Board of Selectmen. Following discussion about custodial services it was the consensus of the Board they didn't have a problem with the request but the logistics have to be worked out.

Selectman Tombarello reminded Board members he and Selectman Devine are not available to be at Town Hall on Election Day. Chairman Brown stated he is going to cover the day shift this election. Selectmen Copp and Nicolaisen will have to cover the afternoon and evening shifts.

Old Business

Further review of proposal for life insurance benefits for volunteer firefighters

Ms. Blaisdell repeated her earlier statement that the insurance carrier is willing to cover all ages when it comes to the life insurance policy for members of the volunteer fire department. Ms. Blaisdell noted that this could increase the number by six or so. Ms. Blaisdell noted that the insurance is a calendar year renewal so the Town could start now but it would end January 1, 2013. The company offering the insurance is willing to prorate the cost knowing the budgetary constants of municipalities. Selectwoman Copp stated that Chief Tapley does not want to start the policy until January. Ms. Blaisdell stated the company bills monthly. There was discussion regarding what happens if there is a default budget. Ms. Blaisdell explained that the prorate will be for 26 months. Selectwoman Copp asked if the Board enters into this now can it be considered a contract and not be part of the default budget. Consensus was if this is

261 262		considered a contract it is not subject to the default budget. Ms. Blaisdell stated the Finance Director is looking into this.
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266 267	•	Letter from NextEra Energy regarding the NH Environmental Disclosure Label February 2012.
268269270271	•	Letter from the Sandown Planning Board regarding a public hearing to be held or November 13, 2012 for a lot line adjustment between Map 18, Lots 2 and 2-2, North Mains Street and Royal Range Road.
272273274275	•	George E. Sansoucy, P.E. LLC presented an estimate on utility lines appraisal as of April 1, 2013.
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278279280	•	Selectman Tombarello will have a recommendation for the Board on October 29, 2012 for an Assistant Electrical Inspector.
280 281 282		Selectman Tombarello sat in on the oral board for two new hires [full time and part time] in the Police Department.
283 284 285 286 287 288		Selectman Tombarello stated he and the Code Enforcement Officer went to a site having several unregistered vehicles. Selectman Tombarello stated the Code Enforcement Officer would be enforcing the ordinance regarding unregistered vehicles.
289 290	•	Selectman Devine stated the library is discussing the landscaping at the library and basement egress project.
291292293		Selectman Devine stated the Planning Board is discussing impact fees.
294 295	•	Selectman Tombarello commented on the professionalism of the Fire Department on the handling of Irving Bassett's funeral.
296 297	МОТІ	ON: Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting at 9:30 P.M.
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